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WHERE'S JOHN HAWLEY?

His Discovery a Matter of Concern to America and Great Britain.

MANY YARDS OF RED TAPE

An interesting Series of Letters Which Show the Thoroughness With Which Official Correspondence is Carried On.

MISSOULA, Aug. 14.—A bundle of official correspondence was yesterday shown to a STANDARD reporter by Lieutenant Leachman, adjutant at Fort Missoula, with a request from Colonel Burt that its contents be made public through the STANDARD, in order that, if possible, the man mentioned in the letters may be located. The origin of the lengthy correspondence is a letter from an Englishman seeking information regarding the whereabouts of his son, John Hawley, who was last heard from in Helena, where he joined a government surveying party. The young man has not yet been located and if any of the STANDARD's readers have seen him recently they will confer a favor upon the military authorities by reporting that fact to the STANDARD. The official correspondence is interesting, as showing the thoroughness with which such a subject is handled and also the red tape which becomes wound around such documents by the time they have passed through several official hands.

The first letter in the series is from Hon. T. F. Bayard, ambassador at London, and is written by him throughout. It reads as follows:

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES, LONDON, June 2, 1894.
Hon. D. S. Lamont, Secretary of War, My Dear Mr. Secretary: I have the enclosed note from Mr. Cuzon, M. P., and one of his constituents, making inquiry as to the fate of a surveying party in Montana, with which the Hawley referred to was connected. I refer to you as the best avenue for the information desired and which I will transmit when you believe me, sincerely yours, T. F. BAYARD.

The honorable ambassador evidently wrote the note in a hurry, as he left the final clause uncompleted. He added, however, a personal postscript regarding a visit from Hon. W. C. Whitney, in which he speaks pleasantly of that gentleman's appearance. The first of the notes to which he refers in the letter is as follows: HOUSE OF COMMONS, S. W., June 1, 1894.
Dear Sir:—I venture to send you a letter from one of my constituents, Mr. W. Hawley of Southport, who is anxious about his son, the latter being apparently attached to an American surveying party which has not for some time been heard of. I would be very grateful if you could give or procure for me any information likely to relieve the parents' anxiety or throw light upon the whereabouts of the expedition. Apologizing for troubling you, I am, Yours very truly, GEORGE CUZON.

H. R. The American Ambassador.
The other note is given below:

BOXTON, May 31, 1894.
Hon. George Cuzon, M. P., Sir:—My eldest son, John Hawley, 24 years of age, joined at Helena, Montana, a surveying party of U. S. A. In his letter he said he must reach the Pass in the snow fall. "You cannot hear from me again until we strike telephone No. 1 unless we meet a mining expert. Afterwards in two years we shall come out on the Pacific if we come out at all." I have been making inquiries from every source I can think of without success. Would you inquire for me at the American embassy in London if they know anything of the fate of the party, should you be unable to get information, what authority at Washington can I communicate to obtain it. I am most anxious in the matter as they are so long overdue. Yours faithfully, WILL HAWLEY.

Copies were made of these letters and inquiries were started in two directions. The original documents were endorsed as follows, after a statement of the contents had been inscribed thereupon:

FIRST ENDORSEMENT.
WAR DEPARTMENT, June 15, 1894.
Respectfully referred to the chief of engineers for information as to the date of the Great Northern Railway company. Is there any information in the possession of the engineer department regarding the within-named man? By order of the secretary of war, JOHN TRUEDELL, Chief Clerk.

SECOND ENDORSEMENT.
OFFICE CHIEF OF ENGINEERS, UNITED STATES ARMY, June 15, 1894.
Respectfully returned to the secretary of war. The records of this office from 1887 to date have been examined and the name of John Hawley does not appear as being connected with any surveying party. JOHN LINCOLN GANNETT, Brig. Gen., Chief of Engineers.

Once more the war department started out the bundle of correspondence with the following:

THIRD ENDORSEMENT.
WAR DEPARTMENT, June 20, 1894.
Respectfully referred to the adjutant general for reference to the proper department commander for any information it may be possible to furnish respecting Mr. Hawley, named within. By order of the secretary of war, JOHN TRUEDELL, Chief Clerk.

The next endorsement is made by the adjutant general's office as follows: Respectfully referred to the commanding general, Department of Dakota, for any information it may be able to furnish Mr. Hawley, referred to herein. (To be returned). By command of Major General Schofield, H. C. CORBIN, Asst. Adj. Gen'l.

A. G. Office, Aug. 6, 1894.
The last endorsement up to date brought the papers to Colonel Burt at Fort Missoula, as follows:

SIXTH ENDORSEMENT.
HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF DAKOTA, Fort Missoula, Aug. 9, 1894.
Respectfully referred to the commanding officer, Fort Missoula, who will please cause inquiries to be made at Missoula, or where any information regarding Mr. Hawley is likely to be obtained. By order of Brigadier General Merritt, M. V. SHERIDAN, Asst. Adj. Gen'l.

The second line of inquiry was started by the war department referring the copies of the English letters to the secretary of the interior, in whose department the following endorsement was placed upon the letters:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, SECRETARY'S OFFICE, June 23, 1894.
Respectfully referred to the director of the geological survey for report.

WM. H. SMITH, First Asst. Secretary.
The geological survey referred the papers to Henry Gannett, chief topographer

by an endorsement signed by H. C. Biss, chief clerk, dated June 23. Mr. Gannett endorsed the correspondence as follows: U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, July 6, 1894.
Respectfully returned. No such person as John Hawley has been in the employ of the topographic division in Montana or elsewhere. The enclosed communication from the chief engineer of the Great Northern railway shows that no such person has been in the employ of their engineering department.

HENRY GANNETT, Chief Topographer.
The geological survey office returned the correspondence to the secretary of the interior with the following:

U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, July 7, 1894.
Respectfully returned to the honorable secretary of the interior, with enclosure. I regret that no information can be given relative to Mr. Hawley.

OSCAR D. WALCOTT, Director.
The next endorsement took the papers back to the war department and bears the signature of Hoke Smith as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, July 16, 1894.
Respectfully referred to the secretary of war for further attention to the enclosed correspondence and endorsements.

Hoke Smith, Secretary.
The war department then attached this set of endorsements to those upon the original letters and the entire lot is now with Colonel Burt, waiting for his report. It will be noticed that several days elapsed between the time that the papers reached Mr. Gannett and the time that he returned them. This delay is accounted for by the following letter, for which Mr. Gannett was evidently waiting:

ST. PAUL, Minn., June 23, 1894.
Henry Gannett, Esq., Chief Topographer: DEAR SIR: Yours of June 21 is received, and replying, would say that we cannot find that any one by the name of John Hawley was employed in any of our surveying parties. I cannot give you any information in regard to him. Yours truly, N. D. MILLER, Chief Engineer.

The documents are crowded with the dating stamp of the several offices through which they have passed, and these, together with the distinguished autographs inscribed upon them, give the letters and endorsements a formidable appearance.

A STANDARD reporter last night made some inquiries regarding the cause of all this correspondence, and from John Haddington learned that when one of the Great Northern surveying parties was at Demersville during the preliminary survey for the extension of that line there was a man named Hawley connected with one of them. But Mr. Haddington has not seen him since and knows nothing of what became of him. It is possible that he may be located some where in Montana, and if so, some reader of the STANDARD may know him.

MANAGER HARTLEY.
His Appointment Gives the People of Missoula General Satisfaction.

MISSOULA, Aug. 14.—The announcement that G. N. Hartley has assumed once more the management of the Bennett Opera House was received with many expressions of approval by Missoula people, who remember Mr. Hartley's excellent administration of the opera house when he handled it in former years. With Mr. Hartley as manager, the theater going public may reasonably expect the best attractions on the road. Mr. Hartley has not yet completed his plans for the improvements which he intends to make in the house, but he has decided to make changes in the stage which will enlarge the proscenium several feet and also to procure an entire new set of scenery, flies and drops. These changes will be greatly appreciated by theater goers and will make the house much more popular with show people, with whom it has lately fallen into disrepute.

TO BE RESULT.
A Statement That the Rocky Mountain Will Have New Poles and Wires.

MISSOULA, Aug. 14.—Word has been received at this place that work will be commenced in a few weeks on the rebuilding of the line of the Rocky Mountain Telegraph company for its entire length. The work will be done in a most thorough manner from Winnipeg to Missoula, new cedar poles being used all the way. It is not definitely known, but it is believed that the line will be extended this fall either to connect with the Postal Telegraph company's lines on the coast or else south to Salt Lake and Denver. This improvement will be appreciated by the public and will be of great advantage to the company. The Rocky Mountain and Postal companies have won a good reputation for prompt work and with a first-class wire on the former company's line a marked improvement in the service may be looked for.

THE K. F. and the U. P.
DENVER, Aug. 12.—Application is now pending in the United States court for a new receiver for the Kansas Pacific, and if a new receiver is appointed, it is requested that he be not identified with the Union Pacific receivers. While the application is pending, it is stated that a movement is on foot looking to the purchase of the Kansas Pacific by the Chicago & Alton, or at least that the road be operated in connection with the Chicago & Alton, with President Blackstone as receiver. The situation is of the greatest interest to railway managers of the West, as it is acknowledged that the Alton will be in the field strictly for business.

"Tom King" Still at Large.
EL RENO, O. T., Aug. 12.—The recent report sent from Fredonia, Kan., that Mrs. Mundie, alias "Tom King," the notorious female horse thief and bandit, who broke jail on Dec. 1, last, and has since been at large, has been apprehended in that city, proves to have been a mistake. The sheriff of this county returned from there without the prisoner. A woman who answers the description of "Tom King," had been arrested by the sheriff of Wilson county, but released before the Oklahoma sheriff arrived.

A Battle in Nicaragua.
NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—The American schooner George Whitford arrived to-day from Corn Island, Nicaragua, with a cargo of coconuts, consigned to L. Schopp. The vessel docked at the foot of Vesey street, North river. The Whitford brings news of an encounter between the natives and a few Nicaraguan soldiers on July 5 last, during which four of the soldiers were killed and two wounded.

Killed the Schoolmaster.
LANCASTER, Pa., Aug. 12.—Frank B. Shibley, principal of the Duke street grammar school, an educator of local prominence, was shot and fatally wounded this evening by George Simmons, aged 61 years. While drunk, he accused his wife of being intimate with Shibley, the charge, it is said, being without foundation.

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R. W. Farley, Waltham, Mass., was cured of gray hair by Hall's Renewer.

MISSOULA MENTION.

MISSOULA, Mont., Aug. 14.—Latest accounts regarding the high water at Horse Plains show that the damage Saturday night was much more serious than first reported. In addition to the heavy rain and hail storm, there was a terrific cloud burst above town which did great damage below. Two clouds, one from the south, the other from the east met above Horse creek and with a terrific roar a perfect deluge poured down. Ranches on the south side of the river escaped damage but those on the north side and near town suffered heavily. The large hard wheat crop on the ranch of Neptune Lynch was almost wholly destroyed and the garden of J. A. McGowan was ruined. The water tank of the railroad was upset and many fences washed away. The ranches below the Lynch place escaped without damage.

D. C. Boos left this morning for Butte and Anaconda.

George E. Boos came over from Helena this afternoon to assume charge of the Missoula.

The county commissioners to-day made the tax levy as follows: State, 24; stock indemnity, 4; school, 8; general, 34; contingent, 8; road, 1; poor, 1/2. Total, 14. Last year the figures were 24, 4, 1/2, 34, 8, 4, 1, 1/2. Total, 17. The commissioners decided by a vote of two to one to deduct the value of the United States bonds from the assessment of national banks.

The assessment of the railroad road bed and rolling stock is \$1,038,173; total assessment valuation of the county, \$5,310,819. The state board of equalization has notified the commissioners that the valuation of all improvements on property except city and town lots and mining claims will probably be raised 5 per cent. This will add \$10,443.25 to the assessed valuation of the county.

Charles Peabody, an incorrigible youth, was sent to the reform school to-day by Judge Woody.

T. L. Greenough returned from Helena to-day.

J. A. McGowan came in from Horse Plains this morning.

H. E. Lindenberg of Thompson Falls came up this morning and returned this evening.

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